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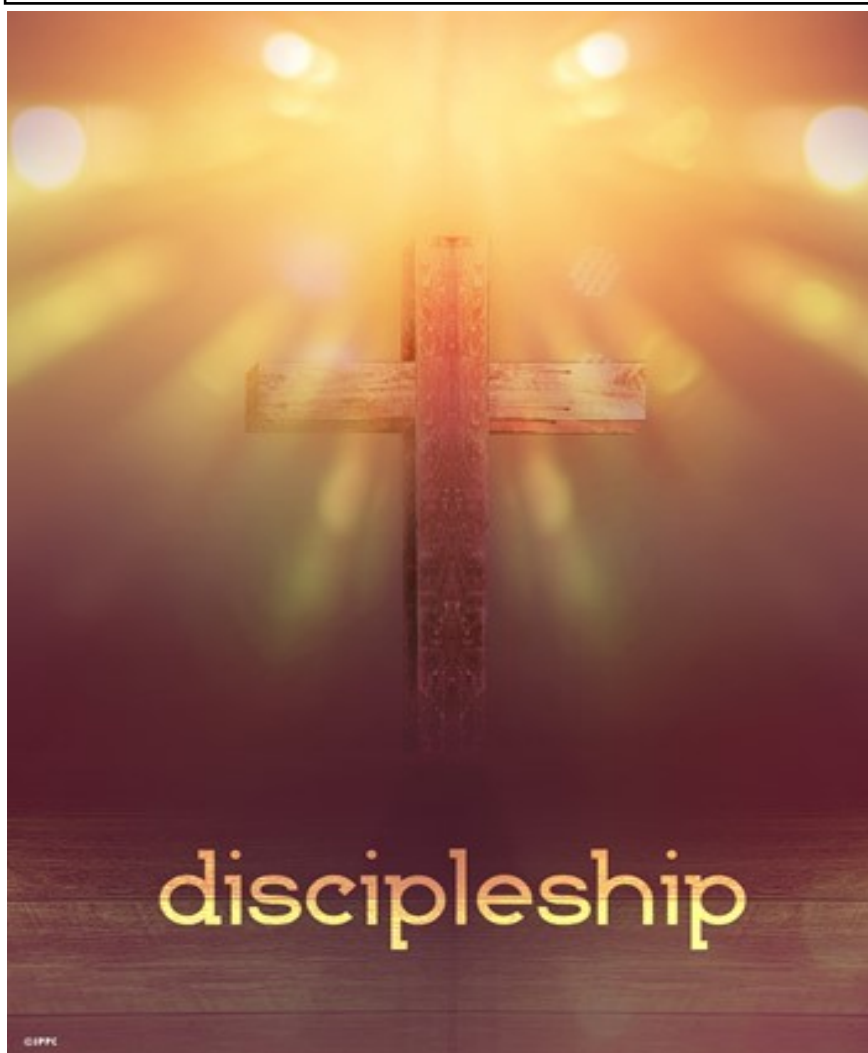


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SEPTEMBER 3, 2023 † TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME †



Fr. Andrew Molewski
Pastor

Fr. Adam Slominski, SChr
Assistant Pastor

Deacon Ray Zolandz

Mass Schedule

Saturday: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m.

11:30 a.m. (Polish)

4:00 p.m.

Holy Days: see website & bulletin

First Friday: 6:30 p.m.

Purgatorial Society Mass

Adoration: Sunday 3-4:00 p.m.

Weekday Mass Schedule

(in Saint Pope John Paul II Chapel)

Monday - Friday 6:30 p.m.

(Adoration 5:30-6:25pm each evening)

Saturday 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Confession on Saturday: 3:00-3:45 p.m.
and on weeknights before Mass

Parish Office Business Hours

Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tuesday Evening

6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

St. Hedwig Church welcomes you ...

We the faithful of Saint Hedwig Parish, a Catholic Community, are committed to living and sharing the Gospel values as disciples of Jesus Christ, celebrating our lives together around the table of the Eucharist and other sacramental times during our journey of faith.



† Słowo Proboszcza †

Dear Parishioners,

In today's first reading, Jeremiah laments his prophetic vocation. God has tricked him and Jeremiah allowed it. Now he is an object of laughter and mockery. Jeremiah preached to the people of Judah shortly before the destruction of Jerusalem at the hands of the Babylonians in the sixth century BCE. The book of the prophet Jeremiah reveals the costs of being a spokesperson for God. His enemies—the very people to whom he is sent to prophesy—dig a pit in which to snare him (Jeremiah 18:20). He is thrown into a cistern and left for dead (Jeremiah 38:16). God forbade him to marry and have a family (Jeremiah 16:2). The repeated rebukes and derisions lead Jeremiah to regret the day he was born (Jeremiah 20: 17-18). Nonetheless, the prophet admits, “Your words were my joy, the happiness of my heart” (Jeremiah 15:16).

Christians are to offer themselves as a living sacrifice, urges Paul in the second reading. In the Jewish tradition, the priest offered grain, incense, or animals as sacrifices in the temple. But Christians themselves are to become the offering, holy and pleasing to God. Paul encourages the mostly Gentile community of Rome to use their head, so to speak. They are to discern God's desire, and they are to avoid the trappings and temptations of the current age. As the letter continues, Paul warns against exalted thinking and encourages everyone to think soberly, according to the measure of faith given them by God (Romans 12:3).

In the first of three prophecies (Matthew 16:21-23; 17:22-23; 20:17-19), Jesus predicts what awaits him in Jerusalem in today's Gospel passage. As Jeremiah suffered on account of God's word, so too will Jesus at the hands of the religious authorities. Peter, upon whom Jesus had just recently bestowed authority (Matthew 16:18), rebukes him. Jesus' response is sharp. Peter is Satan and a stumbling block. The Greek word translated as “stumbling block” is skandalon, from which we get the word “scandal”. Peter scandalizes Jesus by his attempt to prevent the plan of God. In response to Peter's misunderstanding, Jesus explains the expectations of discipleship. Disciples must take up their cross and follow Jesus, even unto death. But upon the return of the Son of Man, each will be repaid according to his or her conduct.

God bless,
Fr. Andrew

Kochani Parafianie,

Uogólniając rzecz cokolwiek można by powiedzieć, że w dzisiejszej liturgii Słowa mowa jest o trudach albo wręcz o dramatach posłannictwa apostołsko-kapłanskiego. O dramacie albo poprostu o tragedii swojego życia mówi wiele razy prorok Jeremiasz. Boleje nad tym, że dał się uwieść, przez co stał się posmiewiskiem i pogardą dla ludzi. Dlaczego? Bo musiał im z całą surowością wypominać ich grzechy, zapowiadając smutną przyszłość i wzywać do nawrócenia. Nikt tego nie lubi. To grozi czasem utratą życia. Ale czy można się sprzeniewierzyć posłaniu Bożemu? Jeremiasz też nie był w stanie oprzeć się powołaniu Bożemu.

A w związku z niechęcią współczesnych Jeremiasza do jego osoby przypomina się nam obecny Polski anykterykalizm. Może Kościół jest też nie lubiany dlatego, że potępia aborcję, zwalcza rozwiązłość moralną, nie zgadza się na rozwody?

Św. Paweł w drugim czytaniu – zachęca wszystkich wiernych do tego, aby traktowali swoje życie jak posługę kapłana składającego Bogu ofiarę. Mówi: “Abyscie dali ciała wasze na ofiarę żywą, świętą, Bogu przyjemną.”

Apostoł przewiduje, że to też nie wszystkim się podoba, nie podoba się światu. Ale zaraz dodaje, że posłannictwo wyznawców Chrystusa nie na tym polega, żeby swoje życie naginać do filozofii tego świata, lecz żeby próbować przekształcać świat tak, iżby się stawał coraz bardziej królestwem Bożym na ziemi.

Szczesc Boze,
Ks. Andrzej

REGISTER NOW!

St. Hedwig Religious Education Office is accepting applications for CCD classes. Classes will begin on Sunday, September 10th from 10-11:30am. Please call the parish office at 302-594-1400 to register.



Correction: Labor Day Mass on Monday, September 4th will be at 9 am in the chapel.

Weekly Collection

Every penny counts!



Thank you for your contribution - big and small!

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

August 19 & August 20

Offertory Envelopes - \$2,708.00

& Special Collections - \$385.00

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF ST. HEDWIG

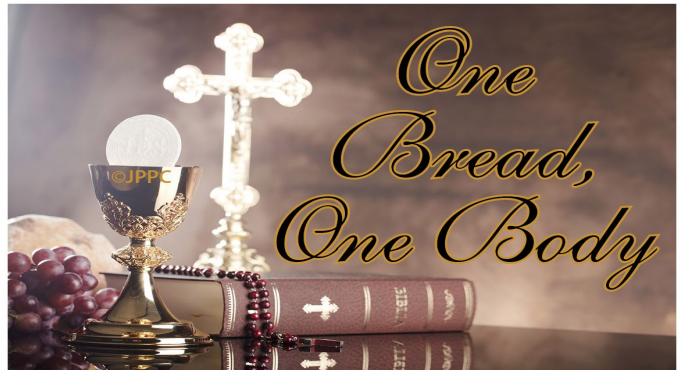


We invite you for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Saint John Paul II Chapel, Monday-Friday evenings from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Confessions are heard during Adoration. Holy Mass begins at 6:30 p.m. During Eucharistic Adoration, we “watch and wait”, we remain “silent” in His Presence and open ourselves to His Graces which flow from the Eucharist. Come and pray!

We regret to report that Fr. Julian, who has been with us at St. Hedwig's for the past year, has been transferred to the Archdiocese of Detroit, MI. Many blessings on your new assignment, Father. We will miss you. Thanks for your dedicated service to our parish! God bless you!



We Will Never Forget!
Monday, Sept. 11th—Mass will be celebrated at 6:30pm in the church to remember those who lost their lives on this tragic day.



PRAYER GROUP

Every Thursday evening in the parish hall, immediately following the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

Join us for Mass, then stay and pray!
All are welcome !



Fr. Julian would like to express his gratitude to Fr. Andrew and the parish community of St. Hedwig Church for all your prayers, support, thoughtfulness and kindness to him during the past year.

Father is very grateful for your attendance at the receptions that were held for him on August 19-20 weekend and for all the cards and gifts that he received. Your generosity is truly appreciated. A special “Thank You” to the volunteers who organized the event and provided the contributions of delicious food! May God bless each and everyone of you!



PRAY FOR THE SICK

Remember and Pray for all who are sick in our parish and community.

Remember and Pray for all who have departed this life.

Father Andrew, Katie, Joe Rybaltowski, Fran Golden, John Yasik, Bri Iacona, Rosalie Wilner, Mary Ann Romano, Anna Kaminska, Wanda Weikel, Aleksander Bielecki, Sharon Kozlowski, Cindy, Dot, Joe, Hanna, Terry, Lori Weikel, Erin Rathmanner, John & Sally Sitek, John & Marie Larouche, Jack & Kathy McDermott, Rudolf Wolanin, Josephine Szczerba, Joy Deluchia, John W. Foskey, Sr., Sandra Boom, Phil Hill and Frank Kucharski

HEAL THEM O LORD!

Masses For The Week



Saturday, September 2, 2023

8am Charles Pietras (A)
Int. Margie, MaryAnn & Helena

4pm Eleanor G. Miller (B)
Int. Clare

Sunday, September 3, 2023

9am Living & Deceased Members of the
Holy Rosary Society

11:30am Regina Jablonska
Int. Barbara & Henryk Walaszek

4pm Tom Fidance
Int. Dolores & Bill Rybaltowski

Monday, September 4, 2023

9:00am Living Intention—Robert Judge
Int. Eileen Siter

Tuesday, September 5, 2023

6:30pm Living Intention—Robert Judge
Int. Eileen Siter

Wednesday, September 6, 2023

6:30pm Living Intention—Robert Judge
Int. Eileen Siter

Thursday, September 7, 2023

6:30pm Living Intention—Robert Judge
Int. Eileen Siter

Friday, September 8, 2023

6:30pm Living Intention—Robert Judge
Int. Eileen Siter

Saturday, September 9, 2023

8am Living Intention—Robert Judge
Int. Eileen Siter

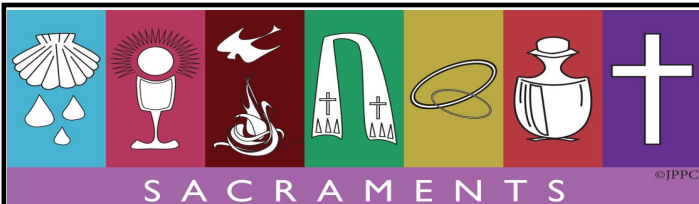
4pm Deceased Members of the Milowicki Family
Int. Family

Sunday, September 10, 2023

9am Gabby Migdalski
Int. Maria Migdalski

11:30am Piorkowski Family
Int. Family

4pm Lisa Keller
Int. Stan & Janice Zgleszewski



Sacrament of Baptism: Call the Parish Office during office hours to make arrangements for Baptism.

Sacrament of Marriage: Engaged couples should call the Parish Office so that the proper preparation may be made at least one year in advance of the planned wedding date.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: One-half hour before daily Mass in the Chapel, Monday—Friday and on Saturday from 3:00– 3:45 p.m. in Church; or by appointment.

Anointing of the Sick and the Eucharist: Please call the parish office to arrange for Communion, Confession, and/or Anointing of the Sick. Parishioners who are planning surgery should contact the priest to receive the Anointing of the Sick before the surgery.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults): All adults who are discerning readiness to join the Catholic Church and are interested in becoming Catholic or completing their sacraments should call the Parish Office. All are welcome.

Religious Education Classes (CCD): Children not attending Catholic School are educated in the faith through our Religious Education Program. Please contact the Office of Religious Education and leave a message at 594-1400 Ext. 4.

† Sanctuary Lamp †



signifying the Eucharistic Presence
of Our Lord Jesus Christ,

will burn this week in Memory of

Parker & June Dorsey

(15th Birthday)

Requested by:

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Monday thru Friday - Eucharistic Adoration, St. John Paul II Chapel 5:30-6:30pm.
- Family Mass - 9:00am first Sunday every month.
- Rosary Mass - 8:30am first Sunday after the first Friday every month.
- Confessions - Every evening during Adoration & 1/2 hour before Masses.
- Blessing of Religious Articles - Second weekend of each month after all Masses.
- Healing of the Sick - Third weekend of each month after 4pm Sunday Mass.
- Prayer Group - Meeting every Thursday after 6:30pm Mass.
- Flame of Love - Meets the 2nd & 4th Saturday after 4pm Mass in Gulch Hall
- Knights of Columbus - Meet on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. John Lagowski is the Grand Knight his phone # is: 302-992-0309
- **Labor Day- Sept. 4 - Mass will be at 9am in the chapel. Parish office is closed.**
- Family Mass- 9am on Sept. 10th- CCD classes begin- 10-11:30am
- **Sept. 11th Mass - 6:30pm in the church**



Join Bishop Koenig and fellow pilgrims for the Diocesan Annual Marian Pilgrimage to be held at the Basilica of the **National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C on Saturday, October 7, 2023**, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary.

A Deanery Bus is available from St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church, 809 S. Broom St., Wilmington on a first come, first serve basis.

Please call 302-584-7872, 302-594-1400 or email, stwedwigchurch@comcast.net for more information.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BECOME A CATHOLIC?

R.C.I.A. is the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. The program is open to people 16 years of age or older. Have you been worshipping with us, but never officially took the step to become Catholic?

Have you been a Catholic all your life, but never celebrated all the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Holy Eucharist and Confirmation? Have you been away from the church, returned and would like to know more about the Catholic Church? If any of these questions apply to you, you might want to consider participating in the R.C.I.A. process. Or, if you know of anyone who could answer yes to any of these questions, perhaps you could extend an invitation to them. If you are interested and have questions, or would like to register, please call the rectory office at (302)594-1400, ext. 0. R.C.I.A. classes are held one evening each week at 7:00 p.m. in the parish rectory and will begin in late October. There is no cost for the program and all materials will be provided. We welcome everyone to the program.



Sept. 9th-9 a.m.: Little Sisters of the Poor Nun Run 5K,

Jeanne Jugan Residence, Newark, DE. Check in at 8 a.m. Benefits the elderly residents of Jeanne Jugan Residence. More information and to sign up:

runsignup.com/Race/DE/Newark/NunRun5K

Sept. 24, 1 p.m.: Designer Bag Bingo, St. Elizabeth School Grant Hall, 1500 Cedar Street, Wilmington. \$35 per person and online reservations strongly encouraged. The limit is 250 people and the deadline for ordering tickets is Sept. 8th.

Must be 18 or older to attend the event. Includes 18 games, everyone receives 9 cards per game, which increases the chances of being a big winner. Extra bingo cards (3 extra chances per game, \$10 each) are available for pre-sale online or can be purchased at the door. Bag brands include Kate Spade, Michael Kors, and Coach. 50/50 raffles and basket raffles will also be available for purchase. There will be two 50/50 drawings, one for pre-sale online only and one for tickets purchased at the event. All proceeds benefit St. Elizabeth School. Doors open at 12 noon.

Guests may bring in food and non-alcoholic beverages. Our licensing prohibits alcohol at this event. Snacks and beverages can be purchased at Grant Hall.

Register at the St. Elizabeth website, www.steschools.org/alumni/stay-connected